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This issue of THE CATHOLIC LAWYER marks the completion of the seventeenth year of its publication. In recognition of this anniversary the present editors have dedicated this issue to the founding editor of THE CATHOLIC LAWYER, Rev. Joseph T. Tinnelly, C.M. and to his immediate successor, Rev. William F. Cahill.

In 1955, when THE CATHOLIC LAWYER was first published Father Tinnelly was one of many who perceived and declared the need for a magazine devoted to the study of those legal problems in which the law's relation to religion, philosophy and morality are particularly pertinent. Yet, among all those who perceived and declared that need, Father Tinnelly was singularly blessed by Providence. He alone possessed that combination of zeal, skill, and means which the work of translating the thought and the talk about a Catholic lawyers' magazine into the reality of THE CATHOLIC LAWYER required.

In honor of Father Tinnelly and in recognition of his devotion to St. Thomas More, whom he chose as patron of THE CATHOLIC LAWYER, we are reprinting two well known articles dealing with St. Thomas More which appeared originally in Volume 2. The famous Goble-Kenealy debate which also originated during his editorship is reproduced in its entirety.

During the all too brief period of Father William T. Cahill's editorship, those who assisted him in this office were able to appreciate fully the rare privilege of association with true scholarship. The tremendously significant articles which he contributed in the area of morality in legal practice may well serve as landmarks for all future writing on the topic. The wide range of his knowledge made him equally expert in common law as well as canon law. Coupled with this legal acumen, his thorough understanding of philosophy and moral theology made him invaluable in the position he held.

In honor of Father Cahill this issue of THE CATHOLIC LAWYER features those articles on "Morality in Legal Practice" which he authored and which appeared in the first five volumes of THE CATHOLIC LAWYER.